

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANT:	ROBERTS, <i>et al.</i>	)	ATTORNEY DOCKET:	40304772
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SERIAL NO.:	10/615,797	)	GROUP ART UNIT:	1616
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FILED:	July 10, 2003	)	EXAMINER:	ALTON NATHANIEL PRYOR
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TITLE:	METAL COMPOUNDS, MIXED OR SULPHATED, AS PHOSPHATE BINDERS			
DATE:	May 7, 2008		CUSTOMER NO.:	26565

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**RESPONSE TO FEBRUARY 7, 2008 OFFICE ACTION**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Arlington, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This Amendment and Response is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed February 7, 2008. Applicant believes that no fees are due; however, if any fee is deemed payable, please charge such fee, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 13-0019. Applicant respectfully requests entry of the proposed amendments and reconsideration of the Application in view of the remarks presented below. It is respectfully submitted that entry of the following Response will place pending Claims 16-23, 25-28 and 43-47 in condition for allowance.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2.

**Listing of the Claims** begins on page 3.

**Remarks** begin on page 5.